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A group gets a tour around Didsbury on a horse drawn wagon at the annual County Christmas in Didsbury last Friday evening. For more pictures see p.5

Fatal stabbing still under investigation

No charges laid against woman who allegedly stabbed son

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

No charges have been laid against a 69-year-old mother who allegedly stabbed her son to death on Sunday, Nov. 27 at a home on 24 Avenue in Didsbury.

RCMP responded to a 911 call on the Sunday evening at 10:20 p.m. and found the 37-year-old victim dead at the scene when they arrived.

RCMP say investigation to this point indicated that this death apparently occurred as a result of the woman's actions.

Alcohol was a factor in the incident, confirmed RCMP.

"Alcohol had been consumed by one or more of the persons involved," said Sgt. Patrick Webb of RCMP Strategic Communications.

"However, the motive is still under investigation."

An autopsy completed on Nov. 29 in Calgary revealed that the victim died of stab wounds.

The deceased's mother was arrested when RCMP arrived to investigate but was later released.

Officials have not yet identified the suspect, as charges have not been laid against her.

The victim has remained unidentified as per request of his next of kin, though he

has been revealed as known to RCMP for undisclosed reasons.

The 911 call was reported to have not been made by the suspect, though RCMP have not released if the individual was at the scene or not when the call was made, or if other people were present.

The weapon has also not been identified at this time, though Webb had noted that the weapon, believed to have been used in the incident, was seized by police.

RCMP, Red Deer and Calgary Major Crimes, and GIS investigators are still investigating and preparing evidence to present to the provincial Crown counsel, who will review the findings and make the decision whether the 69-year-old woman will be charged.

RCMP confirm that this incident and a Nov. 24, 2010 incident, where two males entered a home on 24 Avenue in Didsbury and assaulted three men inside with a hatchet and hammer before fleeing the scene, are not related in any way, and that the timing and location are simply coincidental.

"There is no... relationship," said Cpl. Warren Wright of the Didsbury RCMP. "The cases occurred independently and are coincidental."

RCMP also advises that the public is not at risk following the incident on Nov. 27.

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Renowned local receives provincial volunteer award

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Long-time Didsbury resident Clem Kuelker brought home a major honour in the form of the Stars of Alberta 2011 Volunteer Award on Dec. 5.

The coveted provincial award recognized extraordinary volunteer work and excellence in two individuals in three categories: youth, adult, and senior. Kuelker, 75, was one of the two senior recipients of this award for all of Alberta.

This is the second time Kuelker has been nominated for this award, and in both instances Kuelker was brought to the panel's attention by Frankie Kelly of the Didsbury Museum.

"We're very proud of him, he has been so astounding doing things behind the scenes," said Kelly. "He is a very fine man that, when he gives you his word, he means it."

"There is really nothing more satisfying to me than to help somebody out of a situation. I'm a person who looks at reality, and at what I can do to fix that problem," said Kuelker. "It's very satisfying to be able to help people out of a bind."

Kuelker's track list of volunteer work begins from the very first year he moved to Didsbury, in 1962. Kuelker had immi-

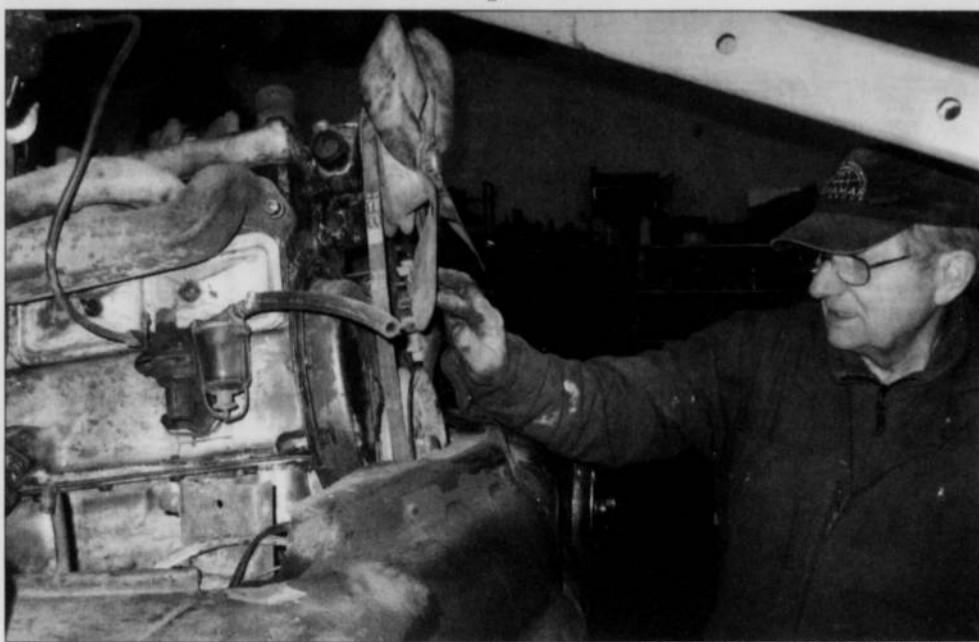


Photo provided by Frankie Kelly of the Didsbury Museum.

Clem Kuelker inspects part of an old fire truck, that was later restored by the efforts of himself and other volunteers.

grated to Canada from Germany at age 18 and had come to settle in the Central Alberta town after working in Winnipeg and Yellowknife.

Since living in Didsbury, Kuelker has busied himself serving as a past president and member of the Didsbury Kinsmen Club, a past member of the Olds College Board of Governors, and past president of the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce,

just to name a few positions off of his impressive list of volunteer work over the years.

Kuelker was also a founding member of the Didsbury and District Historical Society and has remained a member for over 34 years, and is currently the director and chairman of the Rosebud Health Foundation, which helps raise money for additional hospital equipment. He also runs the annual

Rosebud Community Growing Project, which collects funds from a community harvest which go towards feeding third world countries.

On top of doing all this and more over the years, Kuelker has worked one or two jobs at a time, starting a blacksmith business in Didsbury, which came to evolve over the years to incorporate farm vehicle and machinery manufacturing and more.

Kuelker has years of blacksmithing, welding, machinery and vehicle repair and electrical knowledge under his belt. He's used these skills outside of his workplace to help make on-call efforts to fellow residents and organizations, from installing a lift chair in a man's home, to refurbishing a once-junk fire truck with a team of helpers, to using a personalized crane machine to help lift and move heavy

objects, such as museum items, for others.

"These skills help me to do these services," Kuelker said, who added that despite all this copious work, he never felt overwhelmed. "The sort of funny part is, I could always go home and sleep. I never had days or nights where I was tired. I did all these things in stride. My wife has been very supportive in all these endeavours as well and that kept me going too. I've lived a fairly healthy life."

"It's nice to see them recognize a volunteer who gives from the heart with no strings attached," said Kelly of Kuelker winning the award. "It's a huge deal for Didsbury as well, for one of our own to be recognized."

"How do they really decide? It's not easy for people to decide," added Kuelker on the award. "There are hundreds if not thousands who do volunteer work across the province."

"I am very appreciative of the efforts people have made to make me a citizen of this country though, it's not hard for me to recognize that that can be a difficult thing. I was able to give back to the community and area and extend my privileges to others. Here, it's home. I have lived a long, interesting, good, (rewarding) life, that's all I can say."

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ARE YOUR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS UP?

Country Christmas on Friday was a great success, especially since the weather eventually cooperated, and gave us a great start to our Christmas shopping season. The Chamber would like to thank all of the volunteers who came out and helped on November 8th and 13th to prepare the lights for downtown and to help put them up. Thank you to Alberta Pro Installations, ATB Financial, White Raven Emporium, J.D.'s Restaurant, Mountain View Credit Union, The Green Bamboo, Didsbury Dollar Store, Shorthorn Art Studio, Longhorn Painting, Spectrum Design and Through the Grape Vine. Thank you as well to the Christmas Light Committee, Margo Ward Chairman, Shelley Faki, Roy Scabar and Linda and Lance Lewis who work diligently in the background to have this whole project come together to give us the phenomenal look of our downtown. Also a special thank you to Ron Towlow from Through the Grapevine for the use of his lift truck and for his and Lance's extra time needed to repair damage due to the recent high winds and snow. Due to recent weather conditions not all of the lights were finished for Country Christmas but the job will go on so that the downtown is finished for the balance of the Christmas season, weather permitting of course.

In January we will be calling for volunteers to take the lights down and hope that we can count on everyone's help. Volunteering to help with lights is open to everyone, not just the businesses so if anyone wants to put their name on the volunteer list please contact Deana at the Chamber office (403-335-3265) and we will contact you in January when we are ready to go to work.

The next project of the Chamber of Commerce is the Residential Lighting Contest. This is the judging of the residential lights which will take place during the week of December 11th to the 17th.

The Christmas Light Contest was created by the Didsbury & District Chamber of Commerce years ago to encourage people in the town of Didsbury and surrounding area to decorate their homes. We wanted to build on the lighting and atmosphere that the Chamber creates in the downtown area with their lights, and attempt to create a virtual winter wonderland in our community. Many residents of Didsbury and area do a fantastic job of decorating their homes, and this contest is just a small way of saying thank you, and to encourage more to get involved. As always the lights in town will be judged automatically, but we have to have a phone call from those in the country if they wish to participate. You can phone in your own address, or if you have someone you would like to nominate you can do that too, but we will need accurate directions. We know that there are some great light shows out there, so please let us hear from you. Remember you must keep your lights ON all week from December 11th to the 17th. Sometimes it takes multiple trips before the final decision is made, and if your lights are off when we come by they cannot be judged. We are looking forward to seeing all of the great displays, and good luck to everyone.

**Didsbury & District
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COLTS TOPPLE LIGHTNING - Mountainview Colts player Kyle Messervy rushes past a Stettler Lightning player during their game at the Didsbury Memorial Complex last Friday night. The Colts won the game 8-3.



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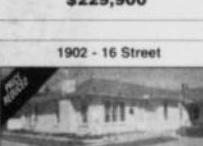
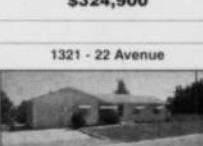
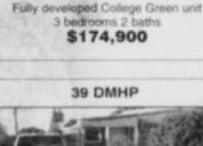
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(Below) A home for 16 orphans that we built in Rwanda.

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Editorial Students face day-to-day drug dangers



DAN
SINGLETON

Last week's tragic overdose death of a Calgary high school student who took the illegal drug ecstasy at a house party highlights the need for students, teachers, parents and other stakeholders everywhere to recognize the real and present danger that drugs pose for today's young people.

While drug abuse by some teens is hardly something new, the fairly recent development and proliferation of chemical drugs such as ecstasy and crystal methamphetamine has markedly increased the risks for those who choose to take chances with drugs.

For its part, the Chinook's Edge School Division already has a comprehensive student substance abuse policy in place to help protect young people from illegal drug dangers in schools and at school-sponsored activities.

"The division believes student use of alcohol or non-prescription drugs is detrimental to the learning process and is therefore prohibited in schools, on school property or during school-related activities," the policy states.

The policy also states that "students in possession of non-prescription drugs while in attendance at school or school-sponsored activity shall be suspended by the principal and it may be recommended to the superintendent that the student be expelled."

"Remedial assistance should be sought for the student by family and the counsellor or appropriate staff members, and this may include the help of AADAC, ALATEEN, and Alberta Health."

While Chinook's Edge's student substance abuse policy is well designed to help protect kids from illegal drugs while involved in school-sponsored activities, drug dangers obviously don't stop at the schoolyard gate.

As such, as the elected leaders of this province and country, MLAs and MPs must live up to the leadership roles entrusted to them by ensuring police and other enforcement agencies are adequately funded so they, in turn, can tackle the big job that comes with fighting the illegal drug industry.

While the death of the Calgary student last week has shocked and saddened his classmates, family members and teachers, and raised the call for more to be done to protect kids from drug abuse in Alberta's big cities, many of those same drug dangers face young people right here in small-town West Central Alberta.

With the holiday party season just getting underway, it's more important than ever for parents and other caregivers to let kids know about the life-and-death risks that can come from illegal drugs. Ensuring young people know what they face is the first and probably most important step in protecting them from those dangers.

And as for West Central Alberta students, they should be encouraged to talk among themselves about the dangers of drugs and how it only makes sense to live drug-free lives.

Opinion



Letters to the Editor

Didsbury Christmas Helpers back for another year

Another year has come and gone but with the snow this year it really feels like Christmas! Each season has its own set of challenges, but Christmas comes to some with a sense of hopelessness and dread.

Stretching the family budget to cover ever-increasing basic needs makes the extra pressure of this season seem just out of reach.

The Didsbury Christmas Helpers was formed 30 years ago to ease the pressure of this season for our neighbors living within the borders of our community.

New to the area? Need information on how you can get involved or

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All the best to each and every one of you in 2012.

Sincerely,

Linda Sirr and Linda Regner

Prolonged period of stagnation with severe hardship coming

Since the credit crunch of 2007-2008 the world financial crises continue to deteriorate.

What started as banking credit crises has become a sovereign debt crisis because countries were forced into a huge bailout of the banking system.

The people at the top of society, who had been adamant that the state should never be involved in running the economy, were not only able to survive because of the state bailout but were also able to prosper with their compensation and bonuses intact.

The expansion of credit by the banks in the first place was to overcome the problem of the lack of demand in the marketplace. Manufacturers are unable to sell their goods because working people are only paid back in wages a fraction of the wealth they produce. On the other hand these wages ultimately form the market or

the effective demand for products.

The crises are ones of overproduction/overcapacity because those who possess the accumulated wealth and the means of production will not invest if they cannot sell commodities for a profit.

Many leaders of the social democratic parties put forward the solution of market growth almost as if it was something the Tories or the Liberals were against. All political parties want growth. They talk of jump-starting the world economy comparing it to a stalled engine.

But this is not the case. If it were, there would be no recessions.

The present economic system cannot be fixed by any method except the destruction of the overcapacity. This was previously accomplished by the Second World War that effectively ended the depression of the 1930s.

The conversion to a market economy and subsequent growth of China has assisted the economies of the west but China has entered into the world market and faces the same problems.

The cutting of public spending is the latest attempt to overcome the crises. It will achieve nothing except to cut demand and further exacerbate the problem.

We face a prolonged period of stagnation with severe hardship for the majority of people. As the means of production are dismantled, this will be a period not unlike the 1930s.

The social democratic parties must present the alternative of a democratic planned society that would allow the tremendous productive capacity developed by the present system to provide plenty for all.

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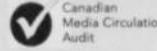
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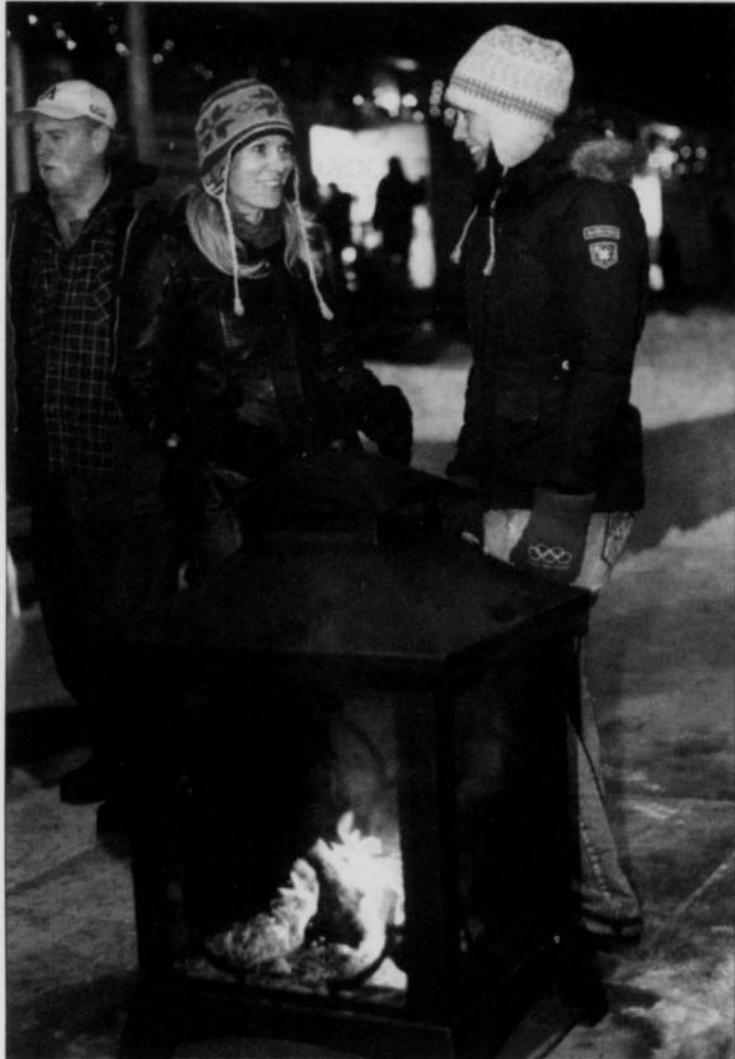
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(Left) People warm themselves by a fire next to the train station. (Top Right) Ethan, left, and Miranda Hobbs get their picture taken with Santa at the train station. (Bottom Right) Two reindeer were on display in the parking lot between Victoria Square Mall and the Didsbury Inn.

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If you wish to erect a sign within a Residential District, **any** signage application must be approved by the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC). MPC meets once a month, the second Wednesday of each. Please take into account the timelines involved for approval when considering erecting a sign.

For further information regarding signs, you can contact the Planning Department at 403.335.3391 ext.1114.

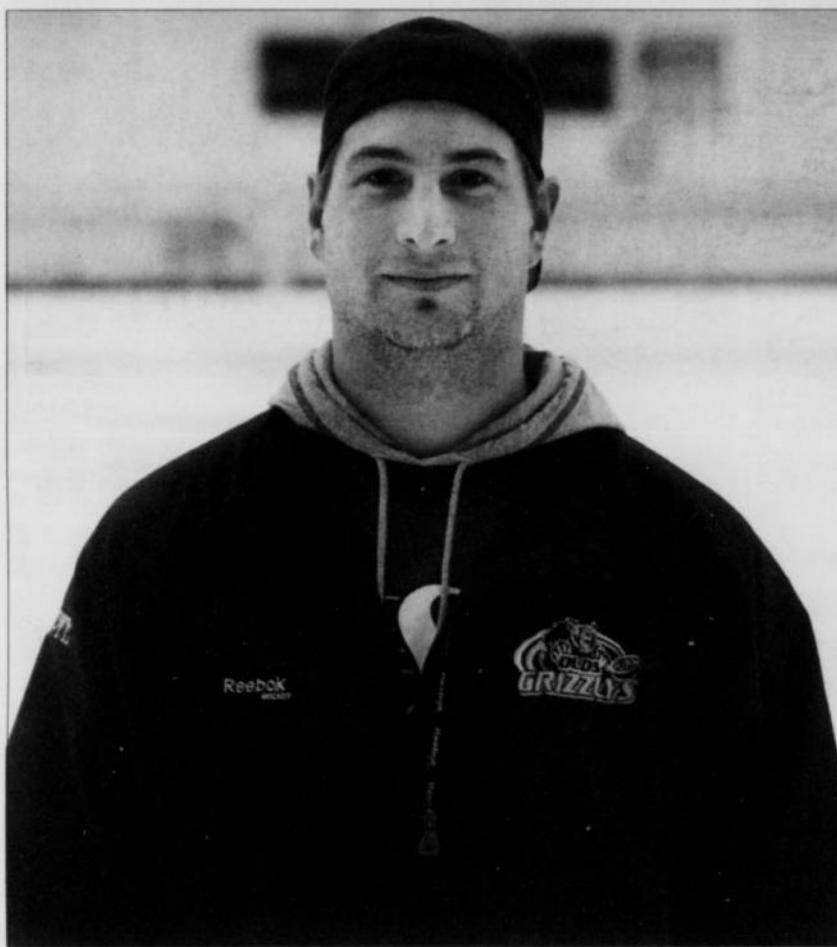
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Thank you,
Melissa Trotter, Community Peace Officer



Didsbury resident becomes interim Grizzlys coach



The Olds Grizzlys new interim coach Brett Hopfe at the Olds Sportsplex last Friday.

PAUL FREY
For the Review

The Olds Grizzlys embarked on a new direction in the coaching department last week with the resignation of head coach Kevin Willison on Nov. 28.

Didsbury resident Brett Hopfe, who served as assistant coach for two-and-a-half seasons, was given the interim head coach's job by the team's board of directors.

Hopfe said he wants the Grizzlys to be a hard-working team that gives the opposition all it can handle. Defence will be a big priority.

"Guys now have roles. Guys know what each player in the dressing room expects out of them, so they're going to be held accountable, not only by myself, but by the guys in the room, too," he said.

"We're going to start in our own zone first and work our way out. If we can keep the puck out of our net and score one goal, we'll be happy. We're definitely going to be a team that's hard to play against," Hopfe said.

Another key priority for each player's future will be to use the contacts the coaching and training staff have to promote them to universities and colleges, especially in the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the large U.S. post-secondary sports organization.

Hopfe said the goal he has set for the team is to get to the .500 mark by the end of the season and make the playoffs.

"If we reach .500 we'll be on a pretty good roll going into playoffs," he said.

Asked if that was a reasonable goal (the team was 9-19-0-3, prior to this weekend's play), Hopfe was confident the Grizzlys could do that.

"I think this team's shown a lot. I think (in November) we struggled, but we had a lot of key guys out of the lineup. As guys are filtering back into the lineup, things are going to change," he said.

Jim Ross, president of the Grizzlys, said Hopfe will be the coach and head of hockey operations until the end of the season, at which point a review will be conducted.

Ross said he hopes players will be working hard and improving their skills until the end of the season. He said with the return of Brandon Clowes and defenceman Brendan Algeo (who has yet to play a game this season), the team should round into form.

Scouting is also high on the team's list, to bring in a few more top players to fill out the lineup.

"That was a top priority for (Hopfe) and (the coaching staff) were having discussions about how they might go about that," he said.

"Guys know what each player in the dressing room expects out of them, so they're going to be held accountable, not only by myself, but by the guys in the room, too."

BRETT HOPFE
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Norovirus alert in Central Alberta

AHS reminds communities to take precaution this season

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Alberta Health Services (AHS) has issued a precautionary reminder to residents of Central Alberta regarding a recently high number of gastrointestinal illness cases, including Norovirus, in the area.

"We see the Norovirus every year, but there seems to be more cases than predicted this year," said Dr. Deena Hinshaw, medical officer of health for Central Alberta. "We want to remind everyone that they can prevent illness."

Making a habit of excellent handwashing and staying away from areas where the illness is present (sick households, care homes, and other locations on public notice) is important.

Preventing contracting the illness is especially important for those more susceptible to the virus, such as seniors or those in hospital.

"We recommend that people not go anywhere when they are feeling ill," said Dr. Hinshaw.

While an individual may feel better after being sick, for the first two days after, the virus is still technically in their system and can still be contagious if hands are not kept clean.

"Those in the health-care and food preparation industries should not be returning to work even two days after feeling better," said Dr. Hinshaw.

Norovirus is an infectious illness that commonly occurs in the winter months. Usual symptoms are vomiting and diarrhea, and aches and mild fevers are also sometimes associated with the illness.

Symptoms can last anywhere from 48 to 72 hours and in most cases do not require special treatment. The virus is contagious while the individual is sick and is present in vomit and stool, which is why Dr. Hinshaw and the AHS stress handwashing as an absolute must.

Winter conditions leading to more street hit and runs

BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Didsbury has seen an increased number of hit-and-run incidents, mainly to vehicles parked on the street, possibly due to winter road conditions.

On Nov. 23, Didsbury RCMP received a report of a hit and run on 19 Avenue in Didsbury. The incident happened between 9 a.m. and 11:30 p.m.

A 2004 Chevy Silverado that was parked on the street during the incident sustained damage of over \$1,000.

Another hit and run occurred some time between Nov. 21 and Nov. 25 at the 1500 block of 15 Street in Didsbury.

A 2005 Volkswagen Jetta had been struck and sustained \$2,000 worth of damage.

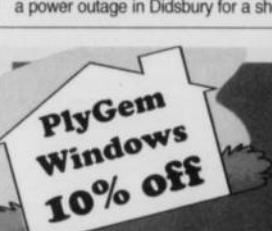
"With these snowy and icy conditions we see an increase in vehicles struck," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson. "It's the responsibility of the person [that hits the other vehicle] to attempt to locate the owner or leave a detailed note on the vehicle."

Also to report: on Nov. 24, between 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., a 2004 Dodge Ram that had been parked on the street of the 1400 block of 19 Avenue in Didsbury was vandalized.

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Miranda Neeson

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BY MADISON SAMUEL-BARCLAY
Review Staff

Miranda Leeson is working the dream job of many gamers young and old.

The former Didsbury local has been working as a video game tester for Other Ocean Interactive in St. John's, N.L.

"I actually stumbled upon it," said Leeson of discovering the position, which first began as a summer job. "I had heard over the years about people going into the games industry. There were a couple of newspaper ads and online ads looking for an administrative assistant and a video game tester. I looked at it over and I liked it."

Leeson's job involves playing a variety of video

games that have not yet been released to the public, be it an iPhone, Xbox, Nintendo DS, Facebook or other kind of game.

Leeson's job is finding problems and errors in the game, or "bugs", and recording the faults to send back to clients and programmers for correction, so that a fully-functional and enjoyable game can go onto the market.

"The first phase of testing is basic testing, or detective testing, and it is basically when you mash all the buttons and see what works and what's working opposite or not at all," Leeson explained.

This process continues until the game is passed. Game testing can take anywhere from six months to a year or more, according to

Leeson.

The actual position itself is not quite as big or glamorous a job as many gamers envision it, though.

"It's a very junior position," said Leeson. "It's the lowest branch, and from there you can work up from it."

"I would not say that it's an easy job, it's not just sitting around playing games," Leeson added. "But I like it, I was very lucky to get it."

Leeson originally moved to St. John's to attend Memorial University, having attended Olds College a year prior.

Leeson hopes to one day move on into art or production in the video game industry.

Back home in Didsbury,

Leeson's family could not be happier for their daughter.

"I was loads of happy about it," said father Gord Leeson.

"That's the key, she enjoys it. I went down in September and got a tour. I was very impressed with everything."

As for how friends and other people react to Leeson's job, Leeson says it's a mixture of curiosity and a bit of envy.

"A lot were excited and asked questions. They were generally excited or even envious," she said.

Other Ocean Interactive currently has several games tested under its name that have hit store shelves. For more information on the company, visit www.otherocean.com

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